

10/538816

1009 Rec'd PCT/PTO 13 JUN 2005

60130-2474  
02MRA0462/486

#2

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Brereton et al.

Serial No.: Unknown

Filed: Herewith

Title: A SUSPENSION TRAILING ARM

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT  
UNDER 37 CFR 1.97 AND 1.98**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to Rule 1.98(d) only copies of the foreign patents and publication listed in the attached Form PTO-1449 need to be provided. None of these references discloses the invention claimed in the subject application. Also enclosed is a copy of the search report.

Respectfully submitted,

CARLSON, GASKEY & OLDS, P.C.



Dated: June 13, 2005

Karin H. Butchko  
Registration No. 45,864  
400 W. Maple Road, Suite 350  
Birmingham, MI 48009  
(248) 988-8360

JC09 Rec'd PCT/PTO 10/538816  
13 JUN 2005  
PTO/SB/08A (08-03)

Approved for use through 07/31/2006. OMB 0651-0031  
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

**Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number.**

Substitute for form 1449/PTO

**Complete if Known**

## **INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT**

*(Use as many sheets as necessary)*

Sh

1

of 2

---

**Application Number**

**Filing Date**

---

**First Named Inventor**

## Art Unit

**Examiner Name**

Attorney Docket Number 60130-2474; 02MRA0462/486

## **U. S. PATENT DOCUMENTS**

## **FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS**

Examiner Initials*	Cite No. <sup>1</sup>	Foreign Patent Document	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages Or Relevant Figures Appear	T <sup>6</sup>
		Country Code <sup>3</sup> -Number <sup>4</sup> -Kind Code <sup>5</sup> (if known)				
		GB 737,726	09-28-1955	British Transport		
		WO 02/20288	03-14-2002	Meritor Heavy Vehicle		
		WO 98/17487	04-30-1998	Nai Neway Inc.		

Examiner Signature		Date Considered	
-----------------------	--	--------------------	--

\*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant. <sup>1</sup> Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). <sup>2</sup> See Kinds Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at [www.uspto.gov](http://www.uspto.gov) or MPEP 901.04. <sup>3</sup> Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). <sup>4</sup> For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. <sup>5</sup> Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST.16 if possible. <sup>6</sup> Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 2 hours to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

If you need assistance in completing the form, call 1-800-PTO-9199 (1-800-786-9199) and select option 2.

10/538816

PTO/SB/08B (08-00)

Approved for use through 10/31/2002. OMB 0651-0031  
U. S. Patent and Trademark Office U. S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE  
All rights reserved. Any document containing a valid OMB control number

Please type a plus sign (+) inside this box

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number.

**Substitute for form 1449B/PTO**

## **INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT**

*(use as many sheets as necessary)*

Sheet

of 2

**Application Number**

**Filing Date**

### **First Named Inventor**

Group Art Unit

**Examiner Name**

Attorney Docket Number 60130-2474; 02MRA0462/486

#### **OTHER PRIOR ART – NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS**

Examiner Signature		Date Considered	
-----------------------	--	--------------------	--

\*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

<sup>1</sup> Unique citation designation number. <sup>2</sup> Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.

**Burden Hour Statement:** This form is estimated to take 2.0 hours to complete. Time will vary depending upon the needs of the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you are required to complete this form should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U. S. Patent and Trademark Office, Washington, DC 20231. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, DC 20231.